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PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Wayne Douglas Luke)
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For : PROCESS FOR PREPARING)
 BENZOIC ACIDS)
)
Docket No. : X-11506)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Arlington, VA 22202
Sir:

In the Specification

In the application, Claims 1 to 14 are pending.
Applicants hereby make the following preliminary amendments.

In the Claims

Applicants herewith amend Claims 5 and 14 and further add new Claim 15.

5. (amended) A process according to Claim [1]4 wherein said C₁-C₆ alkyl acetate solvent is amyl acetate.

14. (amended) A process according to Claim 1 [or 13] wherein; R¹ and R² combine with the nitrogen atom to which R¹ and R² are attached, to form a piperidinyl moiety, R³ and R⁴ each are hydrogen, and n is 2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, or derivative thereof.

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